SIX PERSONS ENGAGED IN THE PLOT.

Only Two Performed Their Parts.

THE TERRIBLE EVENT IN CITY AND COUNTRY.

WASHINGTON, Saturday, April 15-4:50 p. m. CONDITION OF MR. SEWARD AND HIS SON.

The two Sewards remain about the same. No last night was excessive, but his pulse up to this ti is remarkably strong and encouraging. death was prevented by his providentially turning hi head after the first stab.

THE POPULAR FEELING. By a common impulse everything was closed, and all business suspended. Every precaution has been

taken by the War Department to prevent the sweepi

tempest of indignation and horror from assuming any retaliatory character. GEN. GRANT'S ARRIVAL Gen. Grant has this moment arrived, and is alighting from his carriage at Willards. Nothing is get determined upon in reference to the President's

THE GRIEF OF THE PEOPLE.

The excitement, beginning last night with the

ding of the populace during the day has be n, and every one remarks the utter impossibility

remarkable fact that but few lawle ere seen upon the avenue to-day.

doubt. He and his ed across the Eastern Branch

has been interrupted during the having been delayed here, in Baltimore and at the Re lay House. No one is permitted, under any pretent

# BOOTH'S ROOM AT THE NATIONAL.

I have visited the room, No. 228, at the Nacional Hotel, until last night occupied by Booth. With the exception that letters and several other article necessary to the conviction of the assassin have be room is on the fourth story of the Hotel, and has a bare and desolate look. On the bureau, in a brown paper, Ries half a pound of Killikinick tobacco, a clothes brush, a broken comb, and a pair of embroidered elippers. Scattered among the drawers were one shirt, two pair of drawers, several pair of stockings, a half bottle of hair oil, and an old programme of the Oxford Concert Room On the table lay several sheets of note paper, with a number of the Hotel envelopes. A pair of black cassimere pantaloons, marked J. Wilkes Booth on the fo was the only article of clothing remaining. His trunk, which was locked, was marked with his name and the word "theater" following the erasure of th name between the two. A large black leather valise sat on the floor near the trunk, and near it a pair of boots unpolished. The general aspect of things in the apartment was one of hasty exit. The articles mer tioned are the only ones in the room

PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS.

Rooth is described by all who knew him a quiet in his demeanor, and possessing the outside quali-ties of a gentleman.

THE ASSASSIN'S MOVEMENTS.

I have gathered full particulars of his move ments for the greater portion of yesterday. At abo Hotel, and inquired for Booth. The clerk, Mr. Henry E. Merrick, on sending to his room, informed them th he was not in, after which an earnest consultation w held between the three men, and after making inquiri as to the probable time of his return, they left. Know ing Booth's acquaintances to be persons of respectab appearance, Mr. Merrick was surprised that he should eive visits from the three men referred to, who were rather shabbily dressed, and had, so he states, ti general look of Southern refugees. This circumstance truck him as singular, and for some time afterwar occupied his thoughts. Notwithstanding this, he omitted to read the cards which they finally left, be placed them in the box of the room occupied by Booth, to whom they were afterward given.

Again, at about 11, he was noticed in the office of the tel, but nothing remarkable was visible in his appear once, except that he looked unusually pale,

At about 4 p. m. he again made his appearance at the counter of the office, and inquired of Mr. Merrici whother any letter had been left for him in his absent On being answered in the negative, he seemed greatly disappointed, and with a nervous air called for a she of paper and an envelope. He was about to write when the thought seemed to sirike him that some or

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in if he had made a thousand dollars to-day.

celones by Mr. Merrick, the latter locularly aske

menced his letter. He had written but a fe

ords when he said earnestly, "Merrick, is this th

we his horse in the alley behind it, and subsequently

aw him mount and ride away after the assassination

He had formerly kept a horse and buggy in a stable

CAPT. MCGOWAN'S ACCOUNT OF THE ASSASSINA

TION.

The following statement of Capt. Theodor

McGowan, A. A. G. to Gen. Augur, may be implicit

Friday, April 14, 1865, in company with a friend, I wer

earest the door. I sat and had been sitting, abo

age, several of which

had been interpolated in the early part of the play.

directly down nine feet on the stage and ran rapidly

across it, bare-headed, holding an unsheathed dagger

n his right hand, the blade of which flashed brightly i

the gaslight as he came within 10 feet of the opposi-

rear exit. I did not see his face as he leaped or ran.

but I am convinced that he was the man I saw enter

As he leaped he cried distinctly the motto of Virginia

Sic Semper Tyrannis." The hearing of this and th

sight of the dagger explained fully to me the nature of

the deed he had committed. In an instant he had dis

appeared behind the side-scene. Consternation seemed for a moment to rivet every one to his

ent, the next moment confusion reigned supreme.

saw the features of the man distinctly before h

entered the box, having surveyed him contemptuously

before he entered, supposing him to be an ill-bred fel

low who was pressing a selfish matter upon the Presi

dent is about five feet nine and a half inches high,

black hair, and I think eyes of the same color. He did

not turn his face more than quarter front as artists

erm it. His face was smooth, as Ifremember, with the

exception of a moustache of moderate size, but of this am not positive. He was dressed in a black coat, approximating to a dress frock, dark pants, and wore a

stiff-rimmed, flat-topped, round-crowned black hat

of felt. I think. He was a gentlemanly looking person,

having no decided or obtruding mark. He seemed for

On being asked to explain the reason for this singula

occeeding, he said, with childish simplicity, "Don't

on see those dark stains on the board ; it is the bloo

of the President, and I want to save it." In years !

ened by the heart's blood of the great emancipator.

ance in the character of Romeo, at the benefit of Mic

Avonia Jones, which occurred some three months since

rom information received at police headquarters, to be man named Sattuck, a well-known Maryland Rebel.

At least six persons were engaged in the conspiracy

our of whom neglected to perform their part in the

The report that they effected their escape across the Potomac to Mosby is probably correct.

bloody business assigned them by their chief.

tomac to Mosby is probably correct.

Booth had left the stage, having made his last appear-

on of an habitue of the theater.

arefully placing them in his pocket.

at Grover's Theater.

ent in his hours of leisure. The assassin of the Presi-

A moment after a man leaped from the front of the bo

the same alley, but had on Wednesday sold both.

NEW-YORK, MONDAY, APRIL 17, 1865.

With An autopsy was held at 11 o'clock this morning of the artled look he replied, sotto voce, "No. but I have dy by Surgeon-Gen. Barnes, aided by mber of assistants. On examination, the ball, which ward the right eye, the orbinal bone of wkie struck, and rebounding lodged several inches from

> mbled in shape the canteen commonly carried by oldiers. The orifice in the back of the head is perfect round and the skull unfractured, so close was th orderer when he fired the intal shot. The circula ece of skull was taken from the head one and a hi

> ches from the orifice. The piece, together with the Deroinger pistol le assin, and the bullet, were duly seal chind by the ass

The Effect of the President's Death.

and deposited in the War Department.

The death of Mr. Lincoln will in no wise en ese are dog-cheap in Washington, and can be bought and hand by the ream. Deserving men assur

### oin in the Bedchamber Secretary of State.

anatch to The N. Y. Tribun

divicantabide their time.

Washington, D. C., Saturday, April 15-3:15 p. Visitors at Washington last June and July ay recall the reckless-looking young man who parad gly wild and furious sorrel horse. His riding wa emed ready to destroy the man. A good horse tha

n the inextricable confusion of an unofficered Govern ent, and the perils, and perhaps pro-Slavery success of a new Presidential election. This place, of course, is named Hogstown. The wild boars of the slave baron that are fed there are being hunted this afternoon b foresters that never miss their game.

# Attempt on the Vice-President.

ecial Dispatch to The N. Y. Tribune. WASHINGTON, April 16, 1865.

We have been shown the card sent to Viceresident Johnson's room at the Kirkwood House th fternoon of the day Mr. Lincoln was assassinated. ears in legible pencil writing the following:

"I do not wish to disturb you, but would be glad have an interview, J. WILKES BOOTH."

Mr. Johnson, happening to be out at the time, did no iscover till this morning that so suggestive a card ha sen lying on his table for these memorable two days. Not long since a gentleman came from Canada to the tate Department and gave full particulars of a plot for a general massacre of the chiefs of our Government is Washington, which had been divulged in Canada. It was given with such particularity as to establish belief in its existence, and it was undoubtedly thwarted by he extra vigilance atothat time adopted. Whether this is part of that conspiracy does not yet appear. I is stated that there have been as many as three distinct plots to assassinate Mr. Lincoln known to the Govern

There is no truth in the rumor that a letter was : ceived on Friday night at the State Department giving arning of the assassinations committed that night.

The vitality, physical and mental endurance aged and suffering Prime Minister are truly wonderful. His pulse has imprroved to-day. The terrible news o Mr. Lincoln's death was broken to him last night, b e bore up under the depressing announceme ome how priceless will be those scraps of paper, darkemarkable fortitude. The very critical condition is son Frederick has not yet been revealed to him, though informed that he was also seriously hart. physiological fact as curious as gratifying is stated is attending physicians. They say that one of the The assassin of Gov. Seward and family is believed. luced the inflamation and the patient's suffering cause by the fractured bones. They also express the opinio that the simple contrivance of adjusting his jaws i strong wires, which had just been applied, undou revented the assassin's blade from severing the artery lashes were left on the surface of these wires when the edge of the dagger had struck them. At this time (11:30) Goy. Seward is considerably The painful statement some to-night that the pop-

ning to be despaired of. He still remains in an unco clous state, and is evidentily sinking, though he m

The New Vice-President,

Washington, April 16, 1865. The Governors of several States are in town

nd a large number of United States Senators. Senato Connecticut, now Vice-President, arrive this morning. He is prenounced by our ablest pub

A venerable Cabinet Minister, under a former Ad inistration, who has recently returned from abroa ays that the quiet and harmonious movements of o epublican form of Government, under our appallic mity, will be the greatest marvel among foreig

The Messrs. Blairs have been indefatigable in the forts to assist the Government in its hour of sublin ial. They have also the credit of having done mu

Mrs. Montgomery Blair has delicately extended Mrs. Lincoln an earnest and feeling invitation to mak her private residence her home so long as she may re ain in Washington.

WAS DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, Safurday, April 15, 1865-3 p Major-Gen. DIX. New-York: Official notice of President, Abraham Lincoln, was given by th ds of Departments this morning to Andrew Johnson ice-President, upon whom the Constitution devolv heads of Departments in Cabinet, meeting at th g was transacted:

sident were referred to the several Secretaries, ar as relates to their respective departments.

-William Hunter, esq., was appointed Actin retary of State during the disability of Mr. Sewar nd his son Frederick Seward, the Assistant Secre

sired to retain the present Secretaries of Department f his Cabinet, and they should go on and discharg their respective duties in the same manner as befo All business in the Departments was suspend

ng the day. The surgeons report that the condition of Mr. Sewar

mains unchanged. He is doing well: No improvement in Mr. Frederick Seward,

The murderers have not yet been apprehended. EDWIN M. STANTON, Secretary of War.

## Inauguration of President Johnson.

United States, was notified of the fact, and desired to be in attendance to administer the oath of effice.

At the above-named hour the following gentlemen assembled in the Vice-President's room to participate in the ceremony: The Hon. Salmon P. Chase; the Hon. Hugh McCulloch, Secretary of the Treasury; Mr. Attorney-General Speed, F. F. Blair, sr., the Hon. Monty-gomery Blair; Senators Foot of Vermont, Yates of Illinois, Ramssy of Minnesota, Stewart of Nevada, Hale of New-Hampshire, and Gen. Farnsworth of Illinois.

After the presentation of the above letter, the Chief Justice administered the following eath to Mr. Johnson:

de of New-Hampehire, and then a street de la street de ministered the following oath to Mr. Johnson: "I do solemniy swear that I will faithfully execute e office of President of the United States, and will, the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend e Constitution of the United States, and will, and the late of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States, "After receiving the oath and being declared Presimt of the United States, Mr. Johnson remarked: "Gentlemen: I must be permitted to say that I we been almost overwhelmed by the announcement of se sad event which has so recently occurred. I feel competent to perform duties so important and resonable as those which have been so unexpectedly rown upon me. As to an indication of any policy hich may be pursued by me in the administration of se Government, I have to say that that must be left or development as the Administration progresses, he message or declaration must be made by the acts they transpire. The only assurance that I can now ive of the future is reference to the past. The course high I have taken in the past in connection with this tebellion must be regarded as a guarantee of the future is reference to the past. The course high I have taken in the past in connection with this tebellion must be regarded as a guarantee of the future. My past public life, which has been long and borious, has been founded, as I in good conscience elieve upon a great principle of right, which is at the basis of all things. The est energies of my life have been spent endeavoring to establish and perpetuate the principles of free government, and I believe that the Government, in passing through its present perils, will ettle down upon principles consonant with popular ights, more permanent and enduring than heretofore. must be permitted to say, if I understand the feelings of my own heart, I have long labored to ameliorate and settle down upon principles consonant with popular rights, more permanent and enduring than heretofore. I must be permitted to say, if I understand the feelings of my own heart, I have long labored to ameliorate and elevate the condition of the great mass of the American people. Toti and an honest advocacy of the great principles of free government have been my lot. The duties have been mine—the consequences are God's. This has been the foundation of my political creed. I feel it hat in the end the Government will triumph, and that these great principles will be permanently established. In conclusion, gentlemen, let me say that want your encouragement and countenance. I shall ask and rely upon you and others in carrying the Government through its present perils. I feel in making this request that it will be heartily responded to by you and all other patriots and lovers of the rights and interests of a free people."

At the conclusion of the above remarks the President received the kind wishes of the friends by whom he was surrounded.

arrounded.

A few moments were devoted to conversation. All recre deeply impressed with the solemnity of the occaion, and the recent sad occurrence that caused the eccesity for the speedy inauguration of the President was gravely discussed.

Mr. Johnson is in fine health, and has an earn ease of the important trust that has been confided

William Hunter, esq., the chief clerk of the State De partment has been appointed Acting Secretary of State.

A special meeting of the Cabinet was held at the Treasury Department at 10 o'clock this morning.

Additional Particulars. WASHINGTON, Saturday, April 15, 1865. There is no confirmation of the report that the mur-derer of the President has been arrested.

a identified by the proprietor of one of the stable viously mentioned as having been hired from h

be most ample precautions have been taken, and to believed the eniprits will long succeed in evading overtaking arm of Justice.

Washington, Saturday, April 15—31 p. m.

To day no one is allowed to leave the city by rail cor cyance or on foot, and the issuing of passes from the cadquarters of the Department of Washington ha

h if any importance. It has alway he was not sufficiently careful of h

t his future policy as to the Rebellion, which about to submit to the Cabinet. Afterward

camona to hand to the octeany of war. But the then that he must give it to you, and you to me for me to band it over." Mr. Ashmun alluded e gavel which he still had, and which he had used e Chicago Convention; and the President and Mincoln, who was also in the parlor, rose to go to teater. It was half an hour after tha time they he tended to start, and they worke about waiting half. tended to start, and they spoke about waiting half to our longer, for the President went with reductance stien, Grant had gone North, and he did not wi-te people to be disappointed, as they had both be-tyertised to be there. At the door he stopped at id: "Colfax, do not forget to tell the people in ti-ning regions as you pass through there what I to ou this morning about the development when pea-mes, and I will telegraph you at San Francisco." I nook hands with both guttlemen with a pleasant goo ye, and left the Executive Mansion never to return alice.

alive.
The President and Cabinet at the meeting to-day, The President and Cabinet at the meeting to-day, intrusted to Assistant-Secretary of the Treasury Harrington, the general arrangement of the programme for the funeral of the late President. Major French, the Commissioner of Pablic Buildings, will attend to the carrying out of so much of it as directly appertains to the corpse, and Major-Gen. Augur, in charge of the defenses of Washington, will be in charge of the military part of the procession. Assistant-Secretary Harrington has been in consultation to-night relative to the arrangements with Gov. Oglesby, Senator Yates and ex-Representative Arnold of Illineis, and Gens. Grant, Halleck and Augur, and Col. Nichols, and Admirals Farragut and Shabrick.

The funeral ceremonies of the late President will take place on Wednesday. The time for the remains to leave the city, as well as the route by which they will be taken to Springfield, is as yet undetermined.

The procession will form at 11 o'clock, and the religious services will commence at noon, at which hour, throughout the whole land, the various religious societies have been requested to assemble in their respective places of worship for prayer. The procession will mov at 2 p. m. Details will be made known as soon a perfected.

The Acting Secretary of State has issued the follow-

The Secretary of the Navy has issued the following

NAVY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, April 15, 1865.

The Department announces with profound sorrow to the officers and men of the Navy and Marine Corps the death of A braham Lincoln, late President of the United States—stricken down by the hand of an assassin or the eyening of the 14th inst., when surrounded by his family and friends. He lingered a few hours after receiving the fatal bullet, and died at 7:22 o'clock this morning.

morning.

A grateful people had given their willing confidence to the patriot and statesman, under whose wise and successful Administration the nation was just emerging from the civil strife which for four years has afflicted the land, when the terrible calamity fell upon the country. To him our gratitude was justly due, for to him, under God, more than any other person, are we indebted for the successful vindication of the integrity of the Union and the maintenance of the power of the Republic.

public.
The officers of the Navy and the Marine Corps, will, as a manifestation of their respect for the exatted character, eminent position, and estimable public services of the late President, and as an indication of their assets.

PRICE FOUR CENTS.

volving upon him.

during these proceedings stated that he

heir return to their

The funeral car, which is being p

on which the coffin will rest will be eight feet from ground, in order to give a full view of the coffin, over this will rise a canopy, the supports of which be draped with black cloth and velvet. The top of ear will be decorated with plumes. The ear will drawn by six or eight horses, each led by a groun. BOOTH NOT ARRESTED.

Up to this time it has not been ascertained that the assassin of the President has been captured.
THE PRESIDENT'S PLACE OF WORSHIP.

This morning at the New-York-ave. Pres-byterian church, which Mr. Lincoln formerly attended, a large crowd of persons attended in anticipation that the pastor, the Rev. P. D. Gurley, D. D., would make some allusion to the nation's great calamity. The pul-pit and the choir, and the President's pew were draped

THE ASSASSINATION A CONSPIRACY. THE ASSASSINATION A CONSPIRACY.

The Star (Extra) has the following: "Developments have been made within the past 24 hours showing conclusively the existence of a deap-laid plot on the part of a gang of conspirators, including members of the order of the Knights of the Golden Circle, to murder President Lincoln and his Cabinet. We have reason to believe that Sagretary Seward received several months since an intimation from Europe that something of a very desperate character was to transpire at thing of a very desperate character was to transpire at Washington; and it is more than probable that the inti-mation had reference to the plot of assassination."

THE CONSPIRACY. THE CONSPIRACY.

The pickets encircling this city on Friday night! to prevent the escape of the parties who murdered President Lincoln and attempted the assessination of Secretary Seward and his sons were fired upon at several points by concealed focs. Arrests of the parties charged with the offense will be promptly made.

REBEL OFFICERS.

A number of Rebel officers, who arrived here this morning by the mail-boat from City Point, asked permission to take the oath of allegiance, which request was not granted for the present, and they were committed to the Old Capitol.

Mr. Seward's Condition.

The following dispatch has been received by ol. E. S. Sanford:

Washington, April 16, 1805.
Uncle is as well this morning as the circumstances will permit. He retains his mental vigor and recolnition. The surgeon speaks very favorably. Poor Fred is still unconscious. He has never opened his eyes since 12 o'clock Friday night. The Major will get along nicely.

# Newspaper Accounts.

From The Washington Intelligencer of Sturday.

The President was received with great inrore neutering the theater; his reception was, indeed, excaordinary. One of the actors (Mr. Hawk) had made he remark (as "Dundreary"), this "reminds me of a tory, as Mr. Lincoin says," and was telling the story is the President was seated the actor was forced by the sople to tell the "story" over agrain.

the President was seated the actor was forced by the people to tell the "story" over again.

As to the awful catastrophe, the drift of trustworthy, information is, that when a pistol-shot was heard in the second box of the right hand side of the stage of Fordw Theater, persons in the theater imprined that it was part of the play. Hence the confusion of the andience. Meantime the assassin appeared on the edge of the box, crying, "Sic semper turnnis," and dourishing a dagger, leaped on the stage. He crossed the stage rapid-

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around him might overlook his letter, and, approaching the door of the office, he requested admittance. I ald have stated that, when handed the paper and

moment or two to survey the house with the delibera-The Acting Secretary of State has issued the follow A noted guerrilla named Paine was brought into t To THE PROPLE OF THE UNITED STATES: The undersigned a directed to announce that the funeral ceremonies of the For hours after the removal of the Presicity this evening, escorted by a large squad of cavalry. directed to announce that the funeral ceremonies of the nented Chief Magistrate will take place at the Executiv nasion, in this city, at 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, th inst. The various religious denominations throughous country are invited to meet in their respective places of riship at that hour, for the purpose of solemnizing the o'c-dion with appropriate ceremonics. W. HUNTEM. Instantly the populace took it for granted that he wa lent's body from the house opposite Ford's, the buildone of the assasins, and the wildest confusion and exng was regarded by thousands with the greatest curi-Department of State, Washington, April 17, 1880. m," filling the air. He was finely dressed in a new Later in the day a little boy was discovered rubsuit of anglo-Confederate grey and after examination oing bits of white paper on the steps, and afterwards at the Provost-Marshal's, sent up to the Old Capitol.